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* 2110 *Q*.—Sri P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether B.C.G. vaccine injection was made on a mass scale at Tiruchirappalli recently;

(*b*) how many were tested and injected with B.C.G. vaccine; and

(*c*) under what auspices the B.C.G. campaign is carried on in our State?

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) Total tested—155,143.
Total vaccinated—42,352.

" (*c*) The B.C.G. vaccination campaign is done by the Government, aided by the WHO and UNICEF."

* 2111 *Q*.—Sri V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received reports of harmful after-effects of B.C.G. vaccination from any centres in the State;

(*b*) whether any steps have been taken to investigate such cases and to enquire into the aftermath of B.C.G. vaccination in the State;

(*c*) how many persons have been vaccinated with B.C.G. in all up to date and how many were subjected to mass X-ray before vaccination; and

(*d*) what contribution, if any, is being levied from local bodies of the areas where B.C.G. vaccination is now done?

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) No. A few cases of alleged complications after B.C.G. vaccination were brought to the notice of the Government from Coimbatore and 2 or 3 other places. They were thoroughly investigated and found to be unrelated to B.C.G. vaccination.

" (*b*) The Health Officers had the cases taken to hospitals, had them examined and treated, though the alleged complications had no relation to B.C.G.

" (*c*) Four hundred and ninety-five thousand, five hundred and thirty-two persons were vaccinated with B.C.G. in this State up to the close of the Mass B.C.G. vaccination campaign in Tanjore Municipality and its belt area. No X-ray examination is done before B.C.G. vaccination, and it is not considered necessary.

" (*d*) Nil."